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(U) Fortuna – Teenager Arrested For Making Death Threats against Religious Group Pleads Not Guilty

(U) A Fortuna teenager who was arrested over the weekend in connection with criminal threats made against a church group entered a not guilty plea during an arraignment hearing Wednesday afternoon. Allman is charged with two felonies, including making threats obstructing the exercise of religion and making threats to commit crimes resulting in death, a possible strike offense. He is accused of making references to the mass shootings at a New Zealand mosque and at Columbine High School. Allman was arrested on 15 June after the threats came to light. Humboldt State University Police reported Allman made specific threats of violence to a group that used facilities on the campus of HSU.

SOURCE: 20 June 2019, Mercury News

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(U) Colorado – Teen Accused in School Shooting Wanted Revenge for Being Bullied

(U) Highlands Ranch – A juvenile accused of opening fire at a Colorado school last month that left one student dead and eight others wounded sought revenge on classmates who bullied him because he is transgender. Alec McKinney, 16, told police he enlisted a second student, Devon Erickson, 18, to help him carry out the shooting at the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) School in Highlands Ranch, Colorado. Both teens are charged with first-degree murder and attempted murder in the 7 May attack. Prosecutors have charged McKinney as an adult, but his lawyers are seeking to have his case moved to juvenile court.

SOURCE: 20 June 2019, Reuters

(U) Illinois – Two Men Convicted of Providing Support to ISIS

(U) Zion – Two Chicago-area men were found guilty yesterday of supporting ISIS in a federal case in which one of them was accused of saying he hoped to see the jihadist group's flag over the White House. Edward Schimenti and Joseph Jones, both 37, were convicted for providing material support and resources to terrorists in a jury trial in US District Court in Chicago. Schimenti was also found guilty of lying to Federal Bureau of Investigation agents. The men could face up to 20 years in prison when they are sentenced at a later date. The men from Zion, Illinois, about 50 miles north of Chicago, were accused of pledging allegiance to ISIS and using social media to back violence in support SOURCE: 20 June 2019, Reuters

(U) Texas – FBI Received Tip about Courthouse Shooter in 2016

(U) Dallas – The FBI received a call about three years ago about the US Army veteran who opened fire on a courthouse in downtown Dallas, a federal law enforcement official said yesterday. The FBI did not investigate Clyde after the July 2016 call because it did not contain a specific threat, according to the official. The official said a member of Clyde's family called a national tip line to say Clyde was suicidal and had a fascination with guns. The call came while Clyde served as an infantryman from August 2015 to February 2017 but was never deployed to a war zone, according to the Army.

SOURCE: 20 June 2019, SF Gate

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(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Australia – Used Car Salesman Charged Over Plans to Travel Overseas for 'Hostile Activities'

(U) Roxburgh Park—Counterterrorism police arrested Khaled Temssah, a 29-year-old man who allegedly planned to travel overseas to engage in "hostile activities." Temssah was arrested at a Holden car dealership in Roxburgh Park, in Melbourne's north, where he worked as a used car salesman. Victoria Police said there was no ongoing threat to the community as a result of their investigation. Temssah has been charged with "preparations for incursions into foreign countries for the purpose of engaging in hostile activities." Police alleged the planning activity took place earlier this month, but have not said where he allegedly sought to go, or what he planned to do.

SOURCE: 21 June 2019, ABC News

(U) Iran – US FAA Prohibits Operators from Flying over Some Iran-Controlled Airspace

(U) Tehran – The US Federal Aviation Administration yesterday issued an emergency order prohibiting US operators from flying in an overwater area of Tehran-controlled airspace over the Strait of Hormuz and Gulf of Oman due to heightened tensions. The agency said it remained concerned about the escalation of tension and military activity within close proximity to high volume civil aircraft routes as well as Iran's willingness to use long-range missiles in international airspace with little or no warning. SOURCE: 21 June 2019, Reuters

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